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## Preparing Costly Furs.

When a master workman in a fur manufactory is cutting up skins, he is literally cutting money. Skins once passed for frontier money, but their value is now much greater than in the early days, and it would be less costly to cut a garment from ten dollar bills than to cut it from some skins.

The cutting is quite an interesting feature of the work. To prepare a mink or sable, for example, the skin must be slashed into strings, narrow pieces more or less irregular in shape, which are afterward sewed together. There may be a thousand pieces in a single cloak, the new and beautiful skins being literally cut to pieces before they are manufactured. The object of this is to lengthen the skins. The sable, for example, say two feet in length, will be drawn out to four feet and all its markings preserved, so that it looks like a very long, but well proportioned, skin. The original skin is so cut to pieces that it may all be "matched" again in the elongated shape.—World's Work.

## A Wild Ride.

A peasant was recently gathering dry wood in a forest near Kastamuni when a bear suddenly appeared before him. The frightened man sought refuge in the branches of a tree, which broke, and the peasant fell at the feet of the bear. Bruin was quite overcome with surprise, so much so that the peasant, who preserved his presence of mind, was instantly astride the beast, using his ears as bridle. The bear tried ineffectually to throw him and then, starting on wild run, issued from the forest and approached a village. The rider shouted loudly for help, and in a few minutes the whole population turned out armed with guns and scythes. A crack shot fired a bullet into the bear's head, and the peasant was able to leave his mount unhurt.—Kastamuni (Turkey) Official Journal.

## New Light on an Old Subject.

The man who had been kicked by a mule and was quoted as saying he "considered the source" was speaking of it afterward to some of the other fellows.

"I wouldn't care," he said, "if there hadn't been so much fuss made over it, as if it was a bright thing for anybody to say, but the honest truth is that I never said anything of the kind. When you're kicked by a mule, you're not in a frame of mind for considering things. What I really said was: 'You derided old beast! If I had a gun and you were somebody else's mule and it wasn't against the law to shoot inside the corporation I'd blow your durned old head off, darn you!'"—Chicago Tribune.

## Seven.

The alleged supernatural powers of the seventh son of a seventh son are merely an illustration of the mystical powers of that number, which has somehow caught the imagination of mankind. The seventh day and the seventh or jubilee year of the Jews is a case in point, but there are also the seven wise men, the seven wonders of the world, the seven lamps of architecture, the seven sleepers, the seven sisters and the seven senses, the last being an obvious concession to superstition. Indeed, from the seven churches to the seven deadly sins the number for good or ill holds the arithmetic record.

## Definition of a Bore.

"You call So-and-so a 'bore.' What is a 'bore?'" asked Bishop Selwyn. "It is a man who will persist in talking about himself when you want to talk about yourself," or, we may add in telling stories when you want to be telling them. Coleridge says he used to be much amused with Tobin and Godwin. "Tobin would pester me with stories of Godwin's dullness, and upon his departure Godwin would drop in just to say that Tobin was more dull than ever."

## Act in Point.

Mrs. Manning—John, I believe you are the biggest liar in the world. The fact is, you don't care a fig for me or you wouldn't try to deceive me all the time. There was a time when you said I was the best and sweetest woman on earth.

Mr. Manning—And you believed it. Then why can't you believe the little lies I tell you now?—Boston Transcript.

## Her Shopping Pockethole.

Crimsonbeak—My wife had her pocketbook stolen three times within a fortnight while shopping.

Yeast—You don't tell me!

"Yes, and strange to say, the thieves get the same each time."

"That is odd. How much did they get?"

"Nothing."—Yonkers Statesman.

## Poor Economy.

"My husband always says a week or two before Christmas that he doesn't want me to give him a single thing."

"Well, why don't you take him at his word?"

"I did one year, and it nearly made him sick abed. So what's the use of saving money only to pay it out to the Doctor?"—Chicago Herald.

## Midnight Medicine.

She (rather wearily)—It must be lovely to be a man.

Hi (a late stayer)—Why?

She—A man can spend the evening with whom he pleases and not have to entertain anybody that comes along.—New York Weekly.

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